

**Litchfield Public Hearing Minutes**  
**March 9, 2015**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**Litchfield First Selectman's Office**

Present:

Leo Paul, Jr., Litchfield First Selectman

James Simoncelli, Executive Director and Sandra Becker, Chairman of the Litchfield Housing Authority

Peter Testa, L. Wagner Associates

Roxanne Carroll, Administrative Assistant

The public hearing was opened at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing notice was read for the record by Mr. Leo Paul, Jr., First Selectman, Town of Litchfield.

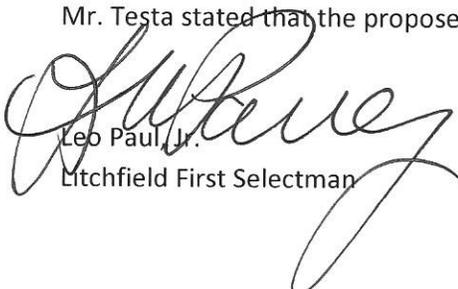
Discussion was held regarding the time table and process of the proposed application of \$800,000 to the State of Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development for the improvements at Bantam Falls Elderly Housing. This project will meet the National objective of benefiting low and moderate income persons providing sustainable affordable housing within the Town of Litchfield.

The proposed renovations and improvements include roof and heating system replacement as well as site work to improve lighting and pedestrian mobility and accessibility.

Mr. Simoncelli spoke in favor of the project and urged the Town to move forward with the application. This winter has been especially difficult with 12 of the 36 units experiencing leaks due to the roof conditions and two trip and falls due to the poor condition of the sidewalks. L. Paul confirmed that the grant is desperately needed. He thanked the Housing Authority for their hard work and service to the community to provide affordable housing and he fully supports the grant.

Mr. Testa and Mr. Paul discussed the Town's past CDBG activities which included the recent renovations at Tannery Brook Co-Op, renovations at Wells Run, the creation of 2 units of affordable housing with the renovations at the Old Northfield Fire House, and the ongoing Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program funded through housing rehabilitation loan repayments. Loan repayments are generated from the repayment from prior Housing Rehabilitation grants and recycled for future projects following our approved Program Income Plan.

Mr. Testa stated that the proposed application will not generate Program Income.

  
Leo Paul, Jr.  
Litchfield First Selectman